Where am I to git guns for the Gally it is emposibel to make the careges without the Guns.

I am, Gentlemen
Your most obedient Servant,
Stephen Steward.

## [Barrister Carroll to Council.]

C. S. C.

Mount Clare Dec 21st 1776.

Dear Sirs.

By direction of the Congress, I send you the inclosed resolves The last letters bring us a piece of Intelligence that it may be material for you to know one Mr Bevan a person that may be depended on who was taken by Capt. Hammond informed Mr Morris that Hammond told him they were now determin'd to put a total stop to our trade, and for that purpose 6 Frigates were to be stationed off Georgia and the Carolinas, 6 off the capes of Virginia and six off Delaware, Their signals and their stations were fixed so as to form a compleat line along the coast and that they have determined to keep their stations during the whole winter. This I fancy it will be difficult for them to do, however I thought it necessary the Board should know their plan.

I am with most sincere respects to you all,

Dear Sirs Your most humble Servt Charles Carroll.

I have not as yet seen here any of your Delegates, Questions of the greatest magnitude every day agitated and resolves enter'd into and this State without a representation or voice.

## Monday, December 23. 1776.

c. s. j.

Met according to Adjournment. Present as on Saturday. Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Isaac McHard One thousand Pounds on Account.

M<sup>r</sup> Enock Fenwick Sen<sup>r</sup> was appointed Inspector at Cole's Warehouse on S<sup>r</sup> Cuthbert's Creek, St. Mary's County.

Copy of Letter N° 67 was sent to Col. Abraham Barnes, and Copy of N° 68 to Mr Jesse Hollingsworth.

Ordered that the Board of Accounts be as expeditious as possible in making out the Account of this State against the United States.

Ordered That Lieutenant Thomas Todd be empowered to contract on Account of this State for the making 3000 mens Hats for the Soldiery not to exceed Eleven Shillings and three pence each.

Whereas we have received Information that on Wednesday